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Public Health Service
Food and Drug Administration

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March 23, 1999

CERTTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Tom Anderson Needmore Dairy Farm 2004 Moore-Duncan Highway Moore, S.C. 29369

WARNING LETTER

Dear Mr. Anderson:

An inspection of your operation located in Moore, South Carolina by a Food and Drug Administration investigator, David Williams, on January 20, 1999 and February 11, 1999, confirmed that the cow you offered for sale, for slaughter for human food to (a)(2)(D) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act).

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/ Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) analysis of tissue collected from that animal disclosed the presence of the drug streptomycin in the kidney (82 parts per million (ppm)). A tolerance of 2.0 ppm has been established for residues of streptomycin in kidney tissue.

You should take prompt action to correct the above violation and to establish procedures whereby such violation does not recur. Failure to do so may result in regulatory action without further notice such as seizure and/or injunction.

The violation listed above is not intended to be an all-inclusive list. It is your responsibility to assure that your operations are in compliance with the law. As a diary farmer, you are frequently the individual who introduces or offers for introduction into interstate commerce, the adulterated animal. As such, you share the responsibility for violating the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. To avoid future illegal residue violations you should take precautions such as:

1) implementing a system or procedure to review treatment records prior to offering an animal for slaughter for human food to assure that drugs have been used only as directed, and that appropriate withdrawal times have been observed.

You should be aware that it is not necessary for you to have personally shipped an animal in interstate commerce to be responsible for a violation of the Act. The fact that you offered an animal for sale to a

slaughterhouse that ships in interstate commerce is sufficient to hold you responsible for a violation of the Act.

Please advise this office in writing by April 12, 1999 of the specific action you have taken or intend to take to bring your operation into compliance with the law, including measures to prevent the recurrence of similar violations. Your response should be directed to Barbara A. Wood, Compliance Officer, at the above address.

Sincerely yours,

Ballard H. Graham, Director

Atlanta District